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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 1818 (house committee report) as follows:

2 (1) On page 1, line 5, strike "Section 81.01001(a), Natural
3 Resources Code, is" and substitute "Sections 81.01001(a) and (b),
4 Natural Resources Code, are".

5 (2) On page 1, line 7, strike "Railroad Commission of Texas"
6 and substitute "Texas Oil & Gas [~~Railroad~~] Commission [~~of Texas~~"].

7 (3) On page 1, between lines 10 and 11, insert the
8 following:

9 (b) The Texas Oil & Gas [~~Railroad~~] Commission [~~of Texas~~]
10 shall pay the costs incurred by the Sunset Advisory Commission in
11 performing a review of the commission under this section. The
12 Sunset Advisory Commission shall determine the costs, and the
13 commission shall pay the amount of those costs promptly on receipt
14 of a statement from the Sunset Advisory Commission detailing the
15 costs.

16 (4) Add the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to
17 the bill and renumber subsequent SECTIONS of the bill and any
18 cross-references to those SECTIONS accordingly:

19 SECTION _____. The heading to Chapter 81, Natural Resources
20 Code, is amended to read as follows:

21 CHAPTER 81. TEXAS OIL & GAS [~~RAILROAD~~] COMMISSION [~~OF TEXAS~~]

22 SECTION _____. Section 81.001, Natural Resources Code, is
23 amended to read as follows:

24 Sec. 81.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

25 (1) "Commission" means the Texas Oil & Gas [~~Railroad~~]
26 Commission [~~of Texas~~].

27 (2) "Commissioner" means any member of the Texas Oil &
28 Gas [~~Railroad~~] Commission [~~of Texas~~].

29 SECTION _____. Subchapter A, Chapter 81, Natural Resources

Code, is amended by adding Section 81.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 81.003. TEXAS OIL & GAS COMMISSION. (a) The Railroad Commission of Texas is renamed the Texas Oil & Gas Commission.

(b) A reference in law to:

(1) the Railroad Commission of Texas means the Texas Oil & Gas Commission; and

(2) a railroad commissioner or a member of the Railroad Commission of Texas means a member of the Texas Oil & Gas Commission.

SECTION _____. Subchapter B, Chapter 81, Natural Resources Code, is amended by adding Section 81.010015 to read as follows:

Sec. 81.010015. ELECTION AND TERMS OF COMMISSIONERS; VACANCIES. (a) The commission is composed of three commissioners elected at the general election for state and county officers.

(b) Commissioners serve staggered terms of six years, with the term of one commissioner expiring December 31 of each even-numbered year.

(c) The governor shall appoint a person to fill a vacancy on the commission until the next general election.

SECTION _____. Section 81.01005, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 81.01005. NAME AND SEAL. (a) The commissioners are known collectively as the "Texas Oil & Gas [Railroad] Commission [of Texas]."

(b) The seal of the commission contains a star of five points with the words "Texas Oil & Gas [Railroad] Commission [of Texas]" engraved on it.

SECTION _____. The heading to Section 81.0521, Natural Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 81.0521. FEE FOR APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO [RAILROAD] COMMISSION RULE.

SECTION _____. Section 52.092(c), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) Statewide offices of the state government shall be listed in the following order:

- (1) governor;
- (2) lieutenant governor;
- (3) attorney general;
- (4) comptroller of public accounts;
- (5) commissioner of the General Land Office;
- (6) commissioner of agriculture;
- (7) oil & gas [~~railroad~~] commissioner;
- (8) chief justice, supreme court;
- (9) justice, supreme court;
- (10) presiding judge, court of criminal appeals;
- (11) judge, court of criminal appeals.

SECTION _____. On the effective date of this Act, the name of the Railroad Commission of Texas is changed to the Texas Oil & Gas Commission. The change of the agency's name does not affect:

- (1) the agency's powers, duties, rights, or obligations;
- (2) the agency's personnel, equipment, data, documents, facilities, contracts, items, other property, appropriations, rules, or decisions;
- (3) a proceeding of or involving the agency under the name of the Railroad Commission of Texas; or
- (4) the terms of the chairman or other members of the governing body of the agency.